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P R E S E N T S

“Screening, Assessment, and Triage”

JULY 17, 2007 ~ 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM, PST

AGENDA

11:00 am Welcome and Introductions

Moderator: Nancy K. Young, Ph.D. Director
National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare (NCSACW)

11:10 am Screening and Assessment for Family Engagement, Retention and Recovery (SAFERR)

Presenter: Nancy K. Young, Ph.D.

Dr. Young will present the SAFERR model for helping staff of public and private agencies respond to families affected by substance use disorders. SAFERR provides screening and assessment tools to help caseworkers make sound, timely decisions about the safety of children, and includes guidelines for communication and collaboration across systems.

11:40 am Questions and Answers

11:50 pm The Experience and Lessons of Piloting the UNCOPE in Washington

Presenter: David Brenna, M.S., Senior Policy Analyst,
Office of the Governor, Mental Health Transformation Project; Olympia, Washington

Mr. Brenna will discuss the experience, results and lessons learned from a universal screening effort, using the UNCOPE, in Yakima County, Washington.

12:05 pm Questions and Answers

12:15 pm Statewide Implementation of Global Assessment of Individual Needs-Short Screener (GAIN-SS)

Presenter: Glenn Baldwin, Chemical Dependency Planning Specialist
Washington Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS)
Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse; Olympia, Washington

Mr. Baldwin will describe the work of the DSHS Screening and Assessment workgroup charged with implementing the provisions of Washington State legislation requiring an integrated and comprehensive screening and assessment process for chemical dependency and mental disorders. Focus will be on the broader requirements of the legislation, the selection process used to pick the GAIN-SS and initial data on screening and quadrant placement from the DASA system.

12:30 pm Washington Implementation of the GAIN-SS in Children's Administration

Presenter: David de la Fuente M.P.A., Substance Abuse Program Manager
DSHS, Children's Administration; Olympia, Washington

Mr. de la Fuente will discuss the Children's Administration policy implementation and training for a DSHS statewide screening effort, using the GAIN-SS. He will also discuss the role of the Chemical Dependency Professional program, which helps social workers successfully case manage families impacted by substance abuse and co-occurring disorders.

12:40 pm Questions and Answers

Moderator: Nancy K. Young, Ph.D.

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Nancy K. Young is the Director of Children and Family Futures, a California-based research and policy institute whose purpose is to improve outcomes for children and families affected by substance use disorders. Dr. Young also serves as the Director of the federally-funded National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare, which provides technical assistance to States in support of their efforts to enhance cross-system collaboration for the benefit of affected families, and develops and disseminates information on advances in policy and practice in this field. She received her Ph.D. and M.S.W. from the University of Southern California, School of Social Work.

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David Brenna has over 25 years of government experience as a manager and executive. His career has been primarily focused on launching new initiatives and developing policy. His areas of expertise include substance abuse, child welfare, juvenile justice, and family policy. Mr. Brenna is a strong prevention advocate and has been involved in the development of a number of prevention programs at the state level. He has a commitment to outcome-based government and results management. Mr. Brenna received his Bachelors degree from Evergreen State College in Sociology and his Master of Science degree from Eastern Washington University in Psychology.

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Mr. Baldwin has worked in the social service arena since 1984. He is both a Certified Chemical Dependency Professional and Licensed Mental Health Counselor and has worked in a variety of outpatient and residential chemical dependency and mental health settings as both clinician and administrator. He has worked as a planning specialist at DASA since 1999 with primary responsibility in working with co-occurring disorders, impaired driving, and other chemical dependency policy issues. In 1979 he completed a Bachelors of Science degree in biology from The Evergreen State College in Olympia, Washington and then completed a Masters in Applied Behavioral Science from Whitworth College in Spokane, Washington.

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David de la Fuente has worked in the human services field for 20 years, both at the direct service and administrative levels. Much of that work has been with families who are experiencing the effects of substance abuse, mental health disorders, poverty, and out-of-home care system issues. He currently serves as the Substance Abuse Program Manager for Children's Administration (DSHS) in Washington State. In this role, Mr. de la Fuente acts as a liaison between Children's Administration, the Department of Alcohol and Substance Abuse, Counties, and treatment providers. Mr. de la Fuente received his Bachelor of Political Science and Master of Public Administration from the University of Washington in Seattle, WA.